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Update on Aid Codes 2S and 2V

In April 2016, the Central Business Office (CBO) issued <u>CBO Dispatch NGA 16-014 Medi-Cal Aid Codes 2S and 2V</u> informing providers that full scope Medi-Cal aid code **2S** for foster children and youth up to 18 years of age participating in the Approved Relative Caregiver (ARC) Program who qualify for federal CalWORKs and **2V** for non-citizen victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes are not reimbursable under Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal because they are not listed on the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Aid Code Master Chart. CBO Dispatch NGA 16-014 further advised providers to submit claims as non-Medi-Cal. Today's Dispatch updates that information and revises that billing instruction.

Based on the State's plan to add **2S** and the other ARC Program aid codes (**2P**, **2R**, **2T**, and **2U**) to the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Aid Code Master Chart, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) is asking providers to financially screen clients with these aid codes using the rules for other full scope Medi-Cal clients with reimbursable aid codes and submit claims for these clients as Medi-Cal claims using a Medi-Cal billable plan. *This supercedes the instruction in CBO Dispatch NGA 16-014.* These claims will be denied by Medi-Cal until the State adds the aid codes to the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Aid Code Master Chart and updates their system. Although the State has identified that they will make this update, there is no scheduled implementation date for the change. The begin date for these aid codes was January 1, 2015. Once implemented in the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal system, the effective date of eligibility may also date back to January 1, 2015. A CBO Dispatch will be issued when the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Aid Code Master Chart and claims adjudication system have been updated. Providers will be able to replace these denials at that time.

Additionally, the State is reevaluating the decision to add aid code **2V** to the Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Aid Code Master Chart and has not included it with the other aid codes that are scheduled to be updated. Please continue to submit claims for clients with only this aid code (and no other additional aid codes) as non-Medi-Cal.

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